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Applicant: MARSHALL A. ISMAN
Title: METHOD FOR ANALYZING CAPACITY OF PARALLEL
PROCESSING SYSTEMS

Prior U.S. application no: 08/997,142
Filing Date: December 23, 1997

The prior application was complete as defined by 37 CFR §1.51(b), or was a national stage of an international application filed in compliance with 35 USC §371.

This request for a CPA is the reference to the prior application noted above as required by 35 USC §120. Kindly abandon the prior application in favor of the continued proceedings that are requested herein.

Kindly enter the unentered amendment, which was previously filed on November 21, 2000, but was not entered in the prior prosecution of this case.

The prior application is assigned of record to Ab Initio Software Corporation, a Delaware corporation, by virtue of an assignment submitted to the Patent and Trademark Office and recorded on July 2, 1998 at 9296/0638.

This request includes 2 sheets.

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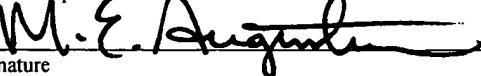
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The entire disclosure of the prior application is part of this application and is incorporated by reference.

Basic filing fee	\$355
Total claims in excess of 20 times \$9	\$0
Independent claims in excess of 3 times \$40	\$120
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Extension Fee	\$55
Total filing fee:	\$530

Applicant hereby petitions under 37 C.F.R. §1.136 for a 1 month extension of time and includes payment of \$55 fee.

A check for the filing fee is enclosed. Please apply any other required fees or any credits to deposit account 06-1050, referencing the attorney docket number shown above.

If this application is found to be incomplete, or if a telephone conference would otherwise be helpful, please call the undersigned at (858) 678-5070.

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